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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

The Applicant submitted an Information Disclosure Statement with the initial filing of this application on September 12, 2003. The Applicant submitted another Information Disclosure Statement, including the references listed from the earlier Information Disclosure Statement, on February 22, 2006. To date, the Applicant has not received acknowledgement of the Examiner's consideration of the references cited. The Applicant respectfully requests such acknowledgement. To insure that such references are listed on the front of any patent to be issued, the Applicant is again listing those references, and others, in this Information Disclosure 11/23/2007 SZEWDIE1 00000059 110600 10660643 Statement.

The Applicant would also like to direct the Examiner's attention to co-pending U.S. Patent Application 11/046,747, which claims priority to the same parent application as this application. An Office Action dated August 23, 2007, has issued in that application, to which the Examiner's attention is directed. The claims in this application are believed to be patentable over the references cited in that application, and those references are included with this Information Disclosure Statement.

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Respectfully submitted,

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